Approved by the Governor, May 22, 2008.

CHAPTER 653

(House Bill 269)

AN ACT concerning

State Board of Nursing - Powers and Duties - Licensing, Certification, and Regulation

FOR the purpose of authorizing the State Board of Nursing to accept a certain alternate method of criminal history records check under certain circumstances; providing that certain applicants may only be issued inactive licenses until the completion of a certain course or program; authorizing the Board to grant certain extensions of certain licenses and certificates under certain circumstances; altering the date on which a certain license expires; altering the date on which the Board shall begin a process for requiring criminal history records checks; altering the information to be considered by the Board on receipt of criminal history record information; altering the procedures for the expiration of a temporary license or temporary practice letter; provided that a temporary license may be extended for a certain time period under certain circumstances; authorizing the deputy director to authorize the Board to issue certain subpoenas and administer certain oaths under certain circumstances; requiring the Board to adopt regulations establishing categories of skilled nursing assistants in licensed developmental disabilities administration group homes; repealing the requirement that the Board adopt regulations establishing categories of skilled nursing assistants in licensed developmental disabilities administration alternate living units; limiting the time period in which a medication technician graduate may practice, without certification by the Board; making certain technical changes; making this Act an emergency measure; and generally relating to the regulation and licensing of nurses, nursing assistants, and medication technicians by the State Board of Nursing.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Health Occupations

Section 8–303, 8–305, 8–308, 8–312, 8–315, 8–317, 8–6A–05(a)(2), 8–6A–07, 8–6A–08, and 8–6A–11

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